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Please note the following information regarding system updates:

Aged Pended Sanction Conditions After September 2005

Effective for the October-December 2005 aged pend sanction quarter, the following error codes will become sanctionable.

P015 (Service provider type invalid for uniform billing form)
P353 (Rate not found on provider type table)
P330 (Provider not eligible for category of service on service date)
R600 (Medicare coverage indicated but not billed)
U225 (Sum of line charges not = total charges billed)

Coverage Code

- Effective for dates of service on or after 07/01/2005 the following HCPCS codes now have an AHCCCS coverage code of 09 (Medicare Only):

G0244 (Observation care provided by a facility to a patient with CHF)
G0264 (Initial nursing assessment of patient directly admitted to observation)
G0263 (Direct admission of patient with diagnosis of congestive heart failure)

Note: Medicare's current observation HCPCS codes should be used for those recipients that qualify for Medicare's observation coverage.

- Effective for dates of service on or after 07/12/2005 the following CPT codes for RF127 (Procedure OPFS Indicators and Values) procedure daily maximum is 24. (Only for outpatient).

99218 (Initial observation care, per day, for the evaluation and management)
99219 (Initial observation care, per day, for the evaluation and management)
99220 (Initial observation care, per day, for the evaluation and management)
- Effective with dates of service on or after 06/01/2005 the CPT code 15851 (Removal of sutures under anesthesia (other than local)) has been added to ASC level 1 with modifier SG (Amb surg ctr (ASC) FA).